# Public Works Women's Leadership Council

July 2012



The Public Works Women's Council was formed on July 1, 2004, in order to establish an open dialog on women's issues.

#### Mission and Vision

#### **Mission**

Eliminate obstacles faced by women in all classifications, at all levels, and improve the work environment.

#### **Vision**

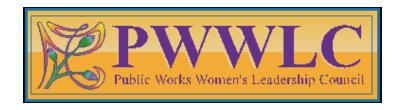
The women working for Public Works are encouraged and empowered to accomplish their career goals.

#### A New Outlook

Change in Department leadership brings new ideas and new direction.

#### A New Beginning

- Our Director, the first female director in the history of Public Works, challenged the Council and its members to strive for an overall commitment to change and leadership.
- The Council reinvented itself to ensure that we forge ahead with a broader scope and range of influence.



# In 2009 the Public Works Women's Council was renamed to the Public Works Women's *Leadership* Council.

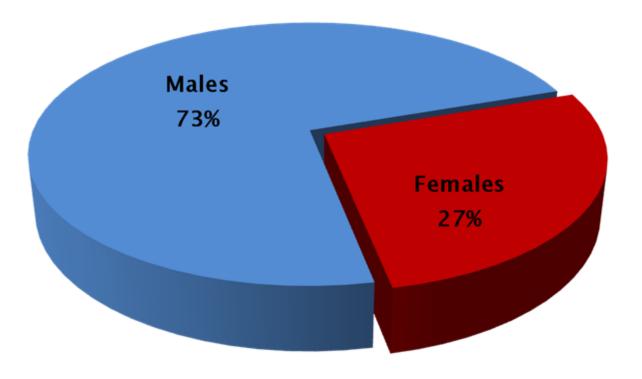
# Challenges

Areas of Opportunities



#### Gender Distribution of Supervisors

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
As of October 2010
(Total Employees = 3,339)



#### Core Values

- Encourage, empower, and support women to seek leadership opportunities
- Provide networking and mentorship
- Celebrate accomplishments and encourage growth

#### New Mission

To encourage and empower women in all classifications by developing their professional growth and leadership abilities in a diverse and supportive work environment.

## **Current Projects**

- Field Outreach Program
- Brown Bag Events
- Public Works Women's Leadership Conference
- Ambassador Outreach
- New Website







## Public Works Women's Leadership Legacy Conference 2010







November 4, 2010

#### Public Works Women's Leadership Legacy Conference 2011 The Power of YOU!







#### 2012 Women's Leadership Conference "*The Journey*"

- October 18, 2012
- ▶ 600 anticipated attendees
- Funded entirely through sponsorship donations
  - In kind and monetary donations
  - Variety of speakers presenting on leadership topics to inspire women to prepare for opportunities

# Accomplishments

#### Achievements

- 2011Strategic Plan Achievement Award
- Brown Bag Events
- Hosted Women's History Month
- APWA publication featured Council essay, "Women in Public Works."
- CSAC Award
- NACo Award
- Recognition from the Quality and Productivity Commission

#### **Our Commitment**

- Inspire employees to prepare for opportunities.
- Provide training and networking opportunities.
- Establish relations with other organizations.

### Thank You